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Dear Sir:

Prior to the calculation of fees and the examination of the above-identified application, kindly
amend the application as follows:

AMENDMENT

In the Claims:

PLEASE SUBSTITUTE THE FOLLOWING CLAIM 14 FOR THE PENDING CLAIM 14:

Claim 14. (Amended) A complex porous structure of reticulated material produced
by a process comprising:

electroplating said material with metal substantially throughout its entire developed
surface, subsequent to

pre-metallization, said pre-metallization comprising depositing a conductive polymer,
said depositing comprising:

- (1) oxidizing a base structure comprising pores,
- (2) rinsing,

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2. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.
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